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✓ invading the nerves & muscles chiefly instead  
of the blood vessels chiefly, or ~~to~~ <sup>to</sup> make use of  
a plain simple - it is <sup>light</sup> ~~gout~~ in the form of  
of ~~air~~ ~~water~~, instead of ~~water~~ - or to vice  
another simple - it is ~~gout~~ =  
+ it <sup>occurs</sup> with the ~~gout~~  
~~in~~ <sup>the same</sup> ~~as~~ of ~~gout & hysteria~~ - 1 in its  
causes. 2 in paroxysms & <sup>being attended with</sup> ~~paroxysms~~ but always  
chronic <sup>1</sup> ~~2~~ <sup>3</sup> ~~4~~ <sup>5</sup> ~~5~~ <sup>6</sup> <sup>7</sup> <sup>8</sup> <sup>9</sup> <sup>10</sup> <sup>11</sup> <sup>12</sup> <sup>13</sup> <sup>14</sup> <sup>15</sup> <sup>16</sup> <sup>17</sup> <sup>18</sup> <sup>19</sup> <sup>20</sup> <sup>21</sup> <sup>22</sup> <sup>23</sup> <sup>24</sup> <sup>25</sup> <sup>26</sup> <sup>27</sup> <sup>28</sup> <sup>29</sup> <sup>30</sup> <sup>31</sup> <sup>32</sup> <sup>33</sup> <sup>34</sup> <sup>35</sup> <sup>36</sup> <sup>37</sup> <sup>38</sup> <sup>39</sup> <sup>40</sup> <sup>41</sup> <sup>42</sup> <sup>43</sup> <sup>44</sup> <sup>45</sup> <sup>46</sup> <sup>47</sup> <sup>48</sup> <sup>49</sup> <sup>50</sup> <sup>51</sup> <sup>52</sup> <sup>53</sup> <sup>54</sup> <sup>55</sup> <sup>56</sup> <sup>57</sup> <sup>58</sup> <sup>59</sup> <sup>60</sup> <sup>61</sup> <sup>62</sup> <sup>63</sup> <sup>64</sup> <sup>65</sup> <sup>66</sup> <sup>67</sup> <sup>68</sup> <sup>69</sup> <sup>70</sup> <sup>71</sup> <sup>72</sup> 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~~Hysteria - formerly called vapours~~  
~~nervous disease &c~~

I adopt this term in conformity to custom. It is a form of disease confined chiefly to the nervous system - & Alimentary Canal, & now it then affects the blood vessels. I know of no difference between the morbid actions which take place in Hysteria & in what is called Gout. They are both the effects of the same predisposing and exciting causes. There is no more reason to call morbid actions in the nervous system - as by a specific name, than there is to call fevers by different names, when they occupy different viscera. I said formerly, women were more subject to Gout than men. The frequency of Hysteria, & its numerous symptoms abundantly prove this to be the case. It is Gout & not in breadth as it appears in men, but in the more

✓ do correctly and ably described by Dr Blackmore  
that I shall read his history of it. I am <sup>indeed</sup> therefore  
disposed to do so, that you may the better ~~see~~  
the be prepared to judge of the ~~correctness~~ of the  
theory I have given of the Disease. from p: 102 to  
112 - Resembles Colic agitating the Ocean. It is  
Epilepsy in raves - muscles & bowels - but not in  
alternately succeeding each other, and  
blood repels.  
accompanying with opposite passions and  
emotions of joy, sorrow, love & hatred, hope  
and despair.

+ in which state they lie for sometime  
They grasp their hands, fit their teeth, &  
come too with convulsions in the limbs  
sobbing - crying, and a deep groan which  
generally terminates the fit.

Sometimes the fit comes on <sup>th</sup> exquisite  
pain in the head - back stomach & bowels -  
then they extend to the <sup>limbs</sup> ~~varicose~~ where they  
create hysterical rhagades <sup>ch</sup> ~~which~~ are continued  
for days & weeks. <sup>These pains are seated in</sup> ~~the~~ sometimes ~~and in~~

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loose, and flowing drifts of fine mucus and  
tiffany. The symptoms of Thystria are  
~~numbing noise in the belly, a sense of a~~  
globe revolving in the abdomen towards  
the stomach and jaws - a sense of strangulation,  
a colics on the head, called *clavis hysterica*,  
convulsions, pale urine, laughing, screaming,  
sitting & ~~slipping~~ fainting, and ~~asymmetria~~  
& crying ~~slipping~~ fainting, and ~~asymmetria~~  
- ~~scouring death~~ and now other ~~asymmetria~~

In the intervals of a fit, it assumes all  
the forms of Chronic diseases - mania -  
~~irritation of the heart~~ - convulsions - vertigo -  
epilepsy - hemiplegia - colic, colera morbus  
cough, angina - dyspnoea - palpitation of  
the heart, & ~~lumbago~~ ~~headache~~ - lumbago - rheumatism -  
itching & coldness of the limbs, especially feet -  
head-ache - a sensation - swelling of the  
crown of head and back. - ~~lashed~~ ~~lashed~~  
face, legs, and throat resembling dropsy,  
but differing from it in ~~not~~ being more  
transient, and going ~~down~~ ~~up~~ appearing  
most in the morning, instead of the night.  
~~The patient during this time seldom ~~eat~~ ~~eat~~~~

The Skin - membranes & muscles, but do not like  
to go out in wide - ~~parts~~ <sup>parts</sup> - or ~~parts~~ <sup>parts</sup> of ~~them~~ <sup>them</sup> end  
in convulsions resembling epilepsy -  
again the belly swells & winds issues  
from it with an alarming noise. each  
of these forms of fits are analogous to fits  
of the gout, but ~~different from it only in~~  
~~invading the nerves & muscles~~ - while its  
chronic symptoms - are analogous to the  
chronic symptoms of gout, but different  
from it in invading nerves & muscles, while  
what is called gout affects the blood vessels  
chiefly - tho' often the same parts as hysteria.  
In short they ought to be called one disease.

See Blackmore & read from 18:102 to 18:108  
mostly what this does in combination - but hysteria  
depends on each - cause & irritability.  
✓ Do not suppose hysteria exists in

Do not suppose they are not  
paroxysms and intervals only such as I have  
described. There are paroxysms ~~and~~ Disease  
in these intervals, and chronic forms of it without  
any paroxysms.

The mind under all these forms of nervous, and muscular disease partakes of the mobility of the body. It is capricious, & fickle in all its pleasures. Attachments do pursuits - ~~are~~ so much so as to ~~be~~ be / to use the words of Dr Sydenham) "constant only in inconstancy." A disposition to laugh loud, or often, and a upon trifling occasions, belongs to an hysterical Constitution. It is so deeply seated in some persons, as to elude the command of their wills, and to appear <sup>at times</sup> in places that do not agree with it. The late Dr <sup>and</sup> Mrs Duche was so forcibly affected with it the last years of his life, that he laughed at every thing he said, or did. Even in middle life, his wife informed me, he was often obliged to pinch himself severely

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✓ Its burning so, generally suspends all the symptoms of the disease. Dr. Whyt mentions the <sup>case of this kind in</sup> case of a lady of 30 years of age, whose pulse from being weak suddenly became full & active. The ~~sores~~ <sup>sores</sup> became at the same time delirious, or maniacal. The disease here was <sup>from the nerves</sup> translated to the blood vessels of the brain. While I thus confine hysteria to the nervous system - take notice - it sometimes exists combined with all the other systems of the body.

A Great or "Canine Appetite" coming  
on suddenly suspends all the symptoms  
of Thystenia as certainly as a full  
or tense pulse, <sup>and why?</sup> because it  
attracts & concentrates  
morbid excitement in the stomach. (h)  
time over

in order to check a propensity to laugh  
at some trifling idea, or object that occurs  
-red to his imagination or his eyes,  
while he was <sup>in the pulpit</sup> addressing his congregation  
upon the most serious subjects.

The hysteria affects ~~women~~ from  
puberty to the time in which the menses  
cease. I have seen it in two sisters - the one  
but 2, & the other but six years old. It ~~is~~ is  
not confined to delicate habits. we sometimes  
see in masculine female constitutions.

It is distinguished from all the chro-  
-nic forms of disease (which it <sup>is said</sup> counterfeits)  
by being confined chiefly to the ~~various~~  
~~organs~~ <sup>even</sup> ~~organs~~  
hysteria. hence the pulse in a paroxysm  
is seldom full or tense. In its intervals,  
the pulse is for the most part natural,  
except in those cases in which it  
obtains the

# It is distinguished from Epilepsy in its predispositions by not affecting the brain, or blood vessels at all. Or in a very feeble manner.

○ This mobility depends upon an excess of both sensibility & irritability in the nervous & muscular systems.

✓ By not being attended with durable alienation ~~restlessness~~ of mind. In Hysteria - it is transient, and going off <sup>1<sup>h</sup></sup> w: a fit of the disease. #

† From the history and marks which I have given of this disease, you will perceive that it is a superficial one. It is confined chiefly to the nerves & muscles. Compared with the disease w: affect the blood vessels, it is like paint pictures in water colors, compared with pictures in oils or mosaic work after they ~~have~~ contained a while. It ~~they~~ sinks down into the body & produces Epilepsy, or a general state of languor which might have been called <sup>or</sup> hysteria. During ~~the~~ <sup>which</sup> ~~had~~ <sup>had</sup> made action in the blood vessels - ~~the~~ <sup>difference</sup> of the disease. In this

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name of Hysteric plethora <sup>hysteria</sup> ~~hysteria~~ <sup>V.</sup>  
(a) It is distinguished from <sup>what is called</sup> Hypochondriasis  
, by the peculiar mobility of the <sup>body</sup> nervous  
system, and instability of the mind. <sup>that is</sup>  
2 By being worst in warm weather, &  
most common in warm climates -  
3 By affecting women, more than men.  
a swelling <sup>or</sup> tension in the Thyroid gland  
4 By the Globes hystericae. <sup>called</sup>

~~✓ Right~~  
6 By the absence of Dyspepsia. Take  
note - they often bleed their symptoms  
together <sup>as I shall say hereafter</sup> - They often induce each other,  
and now & then alternate with each  
other. Hysteric often precedes Hippocr. <sup>#</sup>  
and Hippocr. often goes of in Hysteric.  
The remote causes of Hysteric are  
such as act upon the body & mind. The  
are plethora, an inordinate flow, or

Phrenetic part

over ~~on~~ the brain the disease is mania - if  
on the lungs - a nervous asthma - or nervous  
consumpt<sup>n</sup> - if on the bowels - a nervous colic.  
if one of the kidneys diabetes aqua - &  
① The hysteria seldom, perhaps never destroys life  
while it retains its original character, but  
from its frequent though transient visits to  
vital or organic parts, it in <sup>its</sup> incipient paroxysms,  
it wears them <sup>down</sup> in such a manner, as  
being ~~on~~ to induce fatal diseases in them, or  
predisposes them to disease & death from other  
causes. ~~return to 5~~ <sup>P (a)</sup> ~~the道德家~~

The viscous - thus indeed are called them  
- we have nervous consumpt<sup>n</sup>  
nervous asthma - nervous colic &c but they  
are as really diseases of the blood vessels - or of  
other tridystem bristles the nervous as if they  
had originated from cold - &c. Do not gout  
& fevers induce visceral diseases? & do we  
or might we to  
call them Gouty consumpt<sup>n</sup> &c or febrile  
consumpt<sup>n</sup> - no - no - all disease - affections.

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Obstruction of the intestines. *flor albus.*  
~~Aspergilla -~~ - ~~destructive visiva -~~ worms -  
Chlorosis - strong desires, & strong tea. It  
is from the two last, that it, prevails so  
much in Kitchens, as well as in the  
chambers of high life. & the remote  
causes which act upon the mind are  
anger, malice, envy, love, ~~hat~~ jealousy,  
and strong venereal desires.

Its exciting causes are, any of its re-  
mote causes, applied with sudden, or  
unusual force. Offensive smells - impure  
air, - fatigue, - joy, terror, & even surprise,  
or a sudden impression of any of the  
passions which were enumerated among  
its <sup>remote</sup> predisposing causes. ①

From the history that has been given  
of the symptoms, and causes of this disease,  
you will see at once, that its predisposing  
cause is debility in the nerves & alimentary



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It consists in  
Convulsions and its proximate - feeble excitement  
- went with a undue proportion of  
excitability <sup>or insensibility</sup> floating thro' the system &  
~~constituting what I have called mobility.~~  
There is the ~~sympathetic~~ <sup>I have said</sup> an excess of insi-  
-tability & sensibility combine in the  
production of this predisposition. It  
has been called when thus combined  
by Dr Cullen mobility.

Its proximate cause like that  
of all other Diseases is morbid excitement  
in nearly all <sup>the</sup> forms of Spasm, Convulsion,  
Suffocated excitement - heat - &itching.

Cure. p. 435 no 10.

This divides itself into <sup>two</sup> heads.

I The Remedies proper in a paroxysm.

II The Remedies proper in the intervals  
of the paroxysms.

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System is plethoric,<sup>8</sup> which is generally the case when it arises from obstructed menses, or where it occurs in persons with good appetites.

2 Opening & Stimulating Gysters: Aparatida  
3 <sup>the</sup> be combined with them.  
Stimulating Odors applied to the nose such as  
Spelt: burnt feathers, & Aparatida. A physician  
in New England after having tried the above  
odors to no purpose, ~~to no purpose~~, pulled off  
his boot, & applied his toes smoking with the  
faded sweat of his feet, to the nose of his  
patient. The immediate recovery. The more  
common odors had probably lost their good  
effects from habit.

4 Pediluvium. 5 Mustard & Garlic to the feet.

6 As a great deal of the <sup>pain</sup> ~~distress~~ of a patient in  
a fit of this disease arises from air pent up  
in the bowels, it should be discharged by  
fixing a Gyster pipe in the anus. Such



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is the force of the retrograde motion of the bowels, that the Spincter Ani has been known to grasp the pipe, & to draw it several inches up the bowels.

~~as soon as the patient is able to~~  
200 If all those Remedies fail, & the fit should take the form of Asphyxia, the nostril soles of the feet & the nostrils shd. be tickled, or water should be dropped upon the upper lip. But of these remedies I shall say more under the head of Asphyxia.

~~as soon as the patient is able to~~  
- low, <sup>Laud.</sup> or flour & water should be given. The latter is useful in discharging wind from the Stomach.

11 The Remedies proper to prevent a return of the paroxysms of Hysteric are ~~to~~ to soothe. These are, The cold Bath. McNamee speaks highly of infusing patients subject to this

V Aids - whether in Vinegar or pickles? -  
be forbidden in the diet of hysterical pa-  
tients. ~~One an apple has sometimes  
been hurtful. Milk from the Aid it evolves  
in the Stomach is often hurtful.~~ Aids  
from all this tones destroy the natural  
contractility of the nerves & induce in them  
a morbid irritability. <sup>But</sup> there are cases  
which forbid Cordial Diet - & even stimulating  
tonic medicines. These are where patients become  
feverish. Here they must be suspended  
till the fever is removed. whey - and  
mild Aliment is proper at this time.  
5 Tisot mentions ones being performed  
by a diet exclusively of Runnet Whey. It  
was in habits too irritable to bear the  
stimulus of any other food. Dr. Dunham  
cured it by a milk diet. These mild Aliments  
are proper where there is reason to believe any  
acid humor affects the nervous system. -

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viscous for twenty hours in cold water.

2 The cordial Gums. These are Asafoetida - Galbanum - myrrh & Sappanum. ~~Asafoetida~~ is the most powerful of them all - in pills - spirituous & water solutions.

3 Bitter of all kinds.

4 Certain metals - such as the different preparations of Iron Copper - Zinc - Lead - and Arsenic. Iron should be preferred where worms are suspected. They are sometimes applied to the bowels.

5 Stimulating plasters to the bowels. Galbanum is used, and with great advantage for this purpose.

6 Good ~~profound~~ bandages bound round the limbs, and whole body. They give tone to the muscular system. Van Swieten first suggested them. I have known them to be used with success.

7 The diet should be <sup>solid &</sup> cordial, but not nourishing, if the ~~system~~ blood vessels are ~~not~~ into ~~sympathetic~~ sympathy, and become pleroric. If they are not pleroric the diet may be cordial & nourishing.

8 Exercise, especially on horseback.

9 Labor. Rediarius in the use of all these ingredients to ~~plump~~ the system & to continue and ~~not~~ suitable to debility of each ~~of~~ the constant pursuit of war - p. 11

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invigorating object - & g: a garden is the business of a woman - she'd be engaged in the love and acquisition of seeds - roots & flowers from distant parts of the world, - women should likewise be invited to the care of a family. The ~~woman~~ larger the better. True good housewives are never troubled with the hystericks. - They ~~chiefly~~ afflict those mistresses of families chiefly who have cast upon their minds - & who spend their time in idle, or dililitating pleasures. A lady in this city who was much afflicted with the hystericks from the above causes, <sup>herself</sup> asked a female friend "what she'd do to get rid of her <sup>all her</sup> diseases & distresses". "Go said her friend) & fall down on your knees & ask the Almighty for some real trouble, & that will soon cure you of all your imaginary diseases & distresses"! - 11<sup>th</sup> Feb. - element of a true healthy profession. Turn over to p. 12

Fear & grief have often caused Hysteria.  
They act by ~~fixing~~ concentrating the mind to  
one subject, and thus absorb, and  
concentrate, <sup>those</sup> weak morbid actions which  
are produced by the mind in other parts  
of the body. ~~so as~~ I have several known  
the death of a ~~son~~ child cure Hysteria  
in a mother. Any pursuit, or object  
which fixes the ~~so as~~ & concentrates  
all the faculties of the mind has the same  
effect. Dr. Cullen used to say there was  
no Hysteria in Scotland in the year 1745.  
It was the year of the last Rebellion in  
that country during which time every  
woman thought only of the fate of a  
husband, a Son, or a Brother. I once heard  
the Revd Mr. Whitfield say that a woman  
the wife of an London Apothecary <sup>was</sup>  
suddenly ~~lost all her sensations~~ cured of the Hysteria <sup>so as</sup> in all its  
forms by becoming a Methodist. The  
Principles, Doctrines of this new sect absorbed

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'V and concentrated all the faculties of her mind.  
Lady Rachel Russel, robust, was cured of  
12 a cold climate, & 13 matrimony. I have  
often known it an hysterical mad attack  
which she had had for many years, by  
the grief and distress which followed the execution  
of her beloved husband Lord Wm. Russel.

12 a change of climate. A cold climate  
should be preferred to a warm one.

13 matrimony. I have known hysteria  
cured by this remedy, especially where it  
had been followed by child bearing. But  
where this is not the case, it <sup>then</sup> cures by  
creating <sup>real</sup> care, and a uniform & concentrated  
pursuit. I am aware this remedy is  
forbidden by Tiptot, Mandville - and  
Lynch - but it can be only in persons  
~~too debilitated of habits~~ too debilitated to be  
cured by most other remedies. ~~the remedies for~~  
~~all its varieties the disease formerly mentioned.~~  
This disease requires perseverance

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For the use of all the Remedies that have been mentioned for not weeks - and months only but years - It claims regression in order to cure it. In short our business is ~~not~~ so much to remove ~~we cannot cure~~ ~~to remove~~ a disease - as to change the constitution by ~~our~~ removing its nervous ~~and~~ & alimentary predispositions.

Hysteria is sometimes cured by time - when this is the case it is performed by guiding the nervous ~~to~~ <sup>other</sup> ~~meditation~~ <sup>position</sup>, but if it <sup>is</sup> ~~not~~ ~~an~~ ~~alibi~~, ~~or~~ ~~any~~ Hippocondriasis from the nerves weasing themselves down from the laxum to the strictum state. - It sometimes terminates I have said in organic disease such as ~~as~~ Epilepsy and in ~~the~~ <sup>as</sup> Epilepsy - Drowsiness - Madness, Dementia and in ~~the~~ <sup>as</sup> very other disease which it is said to be affecting the cerebral system ~~you~~ <sup>will</sup> find it in those

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Cases you are to treat them as if they  
had originated from other causes by  
the Remedies formerly recommended for  
those Diseases, and by no means to be  
detained from doing so by being told that  
these causes were nervous, or hysterical.  
Remember the remote causes of a Disease is  
a Unit as well as its proximate cause.  
thus Arterial Diseases encroach on Nerves - why  
not nerves, on the Arteries? Remember how  
often I have mentioned Hysteria & Hypochondriacal  
as predisposing causes of deep seated organic Diseases.